

MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
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COUNTIES (MD/PA) HARFORD/YORK

M&D milestone no. 26 (28)

MHT-HSI no. HA-1543

PROTECTED/ENDANGERED/MISSING

FIELD SHEET: MAÏON & DIXON LINE, MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA BOUNDARY MARKER SURVEY

LOCATION: USGS 7.5' quadrangle Delta UTM 18.39030.439790
original site/moved/date 1766 bench mark/date none observed
Off W/S Flintville Rd (MD 623), Slate Hill, PA vicinity; about 750' from road, in NW corner of young deciduous woods, near small stream. Cannot be seen from road, nor easily from closeby.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE:

From M&D 25: return to Flintville Rd (MD 623); turn right (NW) & follow ^{about 0.5 mile} to State line sign & Poole's place (W/S). Park & ask permission for access to stone in back of Poole property, due W of house.

DESCRIPTION/MEASUREMENTS: original/replica/replacement/date 1766; squared oolitic limestone post, standing about 3" above ground; P on N/S; M on S/S
N face (PA): 12" wide x 3" high; top of P, circle panel & some fluting clear; chips all top corners & edges
E face: 12" wide x 3" high; top of fluting visible; chips all top corners & edges
S face (MD): 12" wide x 3" high; top of M, circle panel & some fluting clear; chips all top corners & edges
W face: 12" wide x 3" high; top of fluting visible; chips all top corners & edges
top: planes & fluting visible, but surfaces weathered & pitted
bench mark: none indicated on maps; none observed

CONDITION OF MARKER/FOUNDATION: excellent/good/fair/deteriorated/ruins/unexposed
1900-03 Resurvey notes (order no. 28), as in MGS Vol. 7, 1908, p. 84

28. Milestone No. 26, M. & D., 1766, in an orchard to the westward of a farmhouse, situated on the west side of the road leading southeastward from Slate Hill, Pa., to Conowingo Bridge, Md.

1950 Inspection notes (present order no. 27, photo no. 26) as in Bayliff, 1959, Appendix C, p. 97

28. Original monument in good condition in solid foundation. Lettering clear; slightly chipped.

1979-80 Inspection notes: order no. 26 (28); photos/negatives/slides no. 26 (28)
26 (28). Original M&D monument of 1766 in place but only few inches above ground level, apparently in good condition & firmly set, though sinking. Letters, circle panels, fluting clear; chips all corners & edges. Protected by (over)

SURROUNDING PROPERTY OWNERS (MD/PA): names, addresses, phones

MD: tax map 6, block, P. 2, deed 273 / 135 & ac. 264.00 index 136
Stephen T. Cooper, et al.

PA: tax map AQ, block, P. 26, deed 59F / 1113, ac. 23.00, index
Anna Bell & Ernest Berry, RD1, Delta, PA 17314 (717/456-5423)

RECORDED BY: names, addresses, phones, dates Jean Ewing 4/17/80
P.O. Box 66, Darlington, MD 21034 (301/457-4757)

Assisted by Lewis Mason

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Also see: reverse side X, B&W photos X, negatives X, color slides X, maps X,
MHT-HSI form, other

CONDITION OF MARKER/FOUNDATION: continued

secluded site; endangered by possibility of disappearing into ground.

NOTES (adjacent property: Bobby D. Poole, 4783 Flintville Rd., Delta, PA 17314)
The Poole family was hospitable and led us to the stone. Mr. Poole says the stone was about 15 to 18" above ground in 1957, so appears to be actually sinking in the soft soil. We did not dig out around the stone to determine its condition, but checked to make sure it was firmly set.

Recommendation. We urge that this site be marked with witness post soon, before the site is lost. Later, the stone should be reset in a more suitable location on the Line.

B&W PHOTOS/NEGATIVES

5x7 NW corner (neg # 8A), Jean Ewing 4/17/80
5x7 SE corner (neg # 5A), " "
5x7 View W, in direction of site from Poole place (neg # 13A), Jean Ewing 4/17/80
5x7 View NNW, of stone & setting (neg # 9A), Jean Ewing 4/17/80

COLOR SLIDES

2x2 NW corner (# 3), Jean Ewing 4/17/80
2x2 SE corner (# 5), " "
2x2 View W toward Poole place from MD 623 (# 9), Jean Ewing 4/17/80

MAPS

USGS 7½' topographic quadrangle section
1900-03 Resurvey engineer's map (Plate XIII), updated
MD tax map section

OTHER

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MASON & DIXON WEST LINE: MILESTONE 26 (28)

DELTA QUADRANGLE

MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA

7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

NE 1/4 BEL AIR 15' QUADRANGLE

1956 PHOTO REV. 1974 SCALE: 1" = 2000'

57° 13' 15" N
(WAKEFIELD)



7° 30' 00" 000 FEET (MD.) 391 392 76° 15' 39° 45'





MCS

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Mason = Dixon west line; ^{MLE} Stone 26

(1/-)

SE corner

Stone deeply submerged in soft ground

Photo: JEN

APRIL 17 1980 (150-#54)



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Mason-Dixon west line stone 26

View looking West

Entrance to site from Flintville Road past Poole place

Photo: JHA 11

Fewing 17 Apr 80 (MEL # 134)



Mason-Dixon west line ^{stone} #26

showing (north, west sides) Top only! (p/-)

Stone deeply sunk in soft ground

Photo: Jean Ewing 17 Apr 80 (166 #84)



from SSE - looking NW

Site in young woods near small stream.

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Nelson Dixon west line stone 26

Photo
Ewing 17 April 80 (100-191)